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## Night Soft Ball Teams Creating Local Interest

Goods Crowds Witnessing Games With Much Enthusiasm

The new thrice a week recreation program established by Coach W. H. Cooke, under the auspices of the State Educational Recreation Board which has caught on and considerable local interest is being shown. Patrons at the games have been very good.

Six teams make up the local league and each team has played a portion of its first quarter schedule. Near a hundred players make up the six teams and each has different colored jerseys that are worn during the games.

On last Monday night the schedule called for the Western Auto team to meet the Murphy's Pharmacy team. The drug boys had not tasted victory in former games, but in this game they came to life both in batting and fielding and trounced their opponents with a 18 to 9 win. Murphy and Bill Brown did the hurting for their team with Brown taking over at the beginning of the 4th inning and did not allow a run to the other team for the remainder of the game.

Barber did the pitching for the Western Auto team with Barber doing the catching. Piers did the receiving for Murphy's. Joel Bass batted out a triple for Murphy's with the bases loaded.

The opening game of the evening was between Glades Chevrolet and Ralph's Market, with Pugh and Williams in the pitcher's circle while Close and Rhodes performed for the grocermen. This contest went to Ralph's boys with a score of 5 to 4. The game was all tie up when the grocermen came to bat in the last half of the ninth inning. Phillips sent a hit to center field, stole second and took third on a fielder's choice and came home with the winning run when Pugh threw a wild pitch.

First Game  
Chevrolet 029 029 0—4  
Ralph's Mkt. 100 210 1—5  
Second Game  
Murphy's 434 115 0—18  
Western Auto 612 000 9—9  
Score of games played last week are as follows: Billy's Restaurant, 15, Murphy's Pharmacy, 4; Western Auto, 12, Richmond Plumbing, 10.

Coach Cook and Prof. Davidson are doing the umpire work.

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## City Registration Books Are Open

Of a total of 935 names on the City of Belle Glade registration books some are of people who are dead, some moved away, and others who are not registered. The City Fathers will strike off these ineligible before the election.

Precinct 28, which is the Belle Glade voting place, had about 1900 registered voters for the State and County elections, some of whom are not eligible to vote in this City, because of residence.

If you are 21, will have lived in Belle Glade one year by the time the registration books close (September 3rd) then you may register. If you are not registered, YOU SHOULD REGISTER.

We must vote for two-year terms for the Commission and one-year term for the Mayor.

If you are a property owner, and a qualified voter—you don't have to read and write—you may qualify for the Commission.

## MOTORCARS TO CLEWISTON WEDNESDAY JUNE 30TH TO PROMOTE ROAD BUILDING

Cecil Vaughn, Chairman of the RDB Road Commission, and Joe Cheney President of the Merchants Division of the Chamber of Commerce of West Palm Beach, are making a motorcade from that city to Clewiston next Wednesday June 30th.

All citizens, and especially those in the State Road No. 25 are invited to join in procession, for the rebuilding of State Road No. 25 especially east of Clewiston.

Luncheon will be served at the Clewiston Inn, on a dutch treat basis, after which the general discussion will take place.

## Will Confer With Authorities About A New Bridge

The South Bay Chamber of Commerce met Friday evening, vice-president C. E. Crichfield, presiding in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. S. E. Henderson.

It was decided to erect Chamber of Commerce Welcome to South Bay Signs at the limits of South Bay on each main highway.

The matter of the State Road No. 30 highway bridge over the North New River Canal, a one-way wooden structure which has been in place some 23 years and is hazardous bottle neck to traffic was taken up. The point was made that there have been a number of serious and near serious accidents at this bridge, 7 accidents having occurred within the last week.

A committee consisting of Melvin Herring, Russell Fisher, Sam Henderson and O. H. Martin was appointed to confer with the State Road Department of Fort Lauderdale relative to getting a new two way bridge built at this point.

## Masonic Lodge Visited By High Degree Official

Belle Glade Lodge, No. 273, F. and A. M., on Tuesday night, had the honor of an official visitation from the Right Worshipful Grand Master, J. H. Heglund, of the 22nd Masonic District.

His visit brought in numerous new members of the lodge. The opening of the Masonic lodge at Delray, Bontine, West Palm Beach, Ft. Pierce, Okeechobee and Moore Haven, so that seat Moore Haven and Lake Worth is so that seating capacity was at premium.

Among the gathered visitors were Illustrations: Irving Wright, John Wells, Chester Wright and Joseph Cherry, and Joe Linderman, KCCII, and Joseph Jewell, of Lake Worth Consistory.

The speaker of the evening, was Deputy Heglund, who gave an interesting and informative talk on "The Customs and Usages of Masonry". It is the duty of the Mason, in giving the district lodge an educational program, to make better men, more effective lodges.

The local lodge received word from Bluefield Lodge at Bluefield, W. Va., at the request of the lodge that it had conducted the grave site of the late George A. Taylor, Sr., at the Oakridge Cemetery at that place, with full Masonic honors.

Announcement was made that the July meeting of the Junior and Warden's Association of the 22nd district, would be held at the hall of Delray Beach lodge, on the evening of July 27th, and that same would be open to all lodge members. This Association has formed a class to take up the study of the Lectures of the order.

## More New Homes For Belle Glade

Building permits have been issued by Building Inspector Willis, for several new dwellings to Wilbur Kirschman, a \$8,000 one to be built by Riedel and Whittier, David Motes a \$5,500 one on Northwest Second street; and a demolition permit for the former Green Road on West Avenue A, which the Kahn Department Store will replace with a modern commercial business block.

## Building Bridges On Pahokee Road

The U. S. Sugar Company has crews at work on the highway between Belle Glade and Pahokee, making repairs on old and installing several new bridges across the canal to its plantation. The State Highway Department is also installing a new entrance and bridge into the Belle Glade airport.

## Scouts Selling House Numbers

The Boy Scouts, now that school is out, are busy on selling numbers for business and residences, and are disposing of a large number of the numerals. They expect to complete the canvass and placing of numbers by the end of the month.

## Glades Lion Stage Joint Banquet And Installation

Emmett Roberts Adorned With Medals And Two Very High Honors For Lionism Work

It was ladies night at the Lions of Pahokee, Belle Glade and Clewiston, last Friday night, when for the first time the three clubs met for a joint meeting. Around 200 guests were seated at the dinner tables at the Delray Hall in Belle Glade, with Emmett Roberts, president of the host club, presiding, with Spotty Burr assisting as master of ceremonies.

The tables were most attractively decorated with flowers, and other adornment. The dinner was prepared and served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Everglades Presbyterian Church and was a very good one which the guests enjoyed.

The meeting was called not ladies only for the entertaining of ladies, but there was important business on the agenda in the way of the installation of the newly elected officers of the 3 clubs, and the awarding of a number of special awards.

Governor elect Claude Hicks, of Lake Worth, was the distinguished guest of the evening, as well as Deputy Francis Robelle, of Pahokee, who participated in the ceremonies.

Governor Hicks conducted the installation ceremonies, and installed the following: Claude Hicks—President; H. V. Dray, vice-president; Herman C. C. Post; secretary and treasurer, H. E. Hotard; treasurer, Ed Lively; lion tamer, Francis Harris; banjo player, Ralph Kirk; trustee, Ivan VanHorn.

Pahokee—President, Manning L. Keen; vice-presidents, Paul Filley and R. J. Schreder; E. J. Graham; secretary Leonard Dobrow; directors, R. J. Simon, J. M. Elliott, Rupert McKee and J. J. Franzer; lion tamer, Leon Spooner.

Clewiston—President, Lloyd Kell; vice-presidents, Rev. Lloyd Keen, William Moore, H. C. Post; secretary and treasurer, N. D. Davis; lion tamer, C. B. Owens; lat twister, W. E. Bailey; directors, A. A. Thomas, R. McLean, W. W. Perry.

Governor elect Hicks gave an excellent short address, and then called upon Rev. I. E. Enlow, to offer prayer, for a successful year in Lion's clubs, and upon the officers as they carried on the work.

District Deputy Frank Rankin (Continued on Page 4)

## If You Don't Like Your City Taxes You May Protest

City Clerk A. L. Wallis, this week, will have prepared the annual tax roll for 1948, ready to present to the Commission for approval, and the Equalization Board, for hearing of complaints if there are any.

The Equalization Board will meet on Wednesday, July 7th, for hearing of complaints, and that will be the only time that such complaints will be heard. So, if any tax payer has any complaint on assessment matters, better appear before the Board at that time.

Raymond Mack, who has been off duty as deputy constable, for several months, has recovered sufficiently from his auto wreck injuries, that he is able to take up some of the lighter duties of his position.



Left to right—Lee Burke of Chosen, and Patsy Chambliss of Belle Glade. Bottom row—Lucetta Campbell of South Bay, and Chas. Newman of Lake Harbor.

Awards were presented by the American Legion, Post 20, and the Auxiliary to four outstanding students of the Freshman class of the Belle Glade High School. The school faculty makes this selection each year.

## Governor Caldwell Lou Betzner To Appoints Watkins As School Head Represent Elks At Big Convention

As had been anticipated, after he made a runway race for nomination as Palm Beach County Superintendent of Public Instruction, in the May primary, Governor Millard Caldwell, on Tuesday, appointed Howell P. Watkins, of West Palm Beach, to that position, to succeed Dr. John L. Leonard, who retires by resignation, on July 1st. Dr. Leonard is to become the head of the West Palm Beach Junior College at that time.

The fact that Watkins would have been the new superintendent next January, by election, his selection as Dr. Leonard's successor, had been recommended by both the retiring superintendent and the Board of Public Instruction to the Governor for appointment, which he followed by action on Tuesday.

Mr. Watkins, the new superintendent, has long been prominent in the house numbering project, as superintendent of schools in Ft. Myers and West Palm Beach, and in connection with state educational planning groups, and comes well equipped and trained for his new position.

## City Takes Over The Placing Of House Numbering In City

With three of its four members present, the City Commission, on Wednesday night, decided that street numbering was an imperative matter, along with the providing new street markers where needed.

The Boy Scout troops, who have been handling the house numbering project, here turned in all their supplies, all free of debt, to the city, and withdrew from the task, "stated City Clerk Wallis.

The Commission decided on the Commission to take up the project.

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## School Board To Build New Colored School In Belle Glade

The Board of Public Instruction, in view of the fact that recent bond issue failed, had to look over other sources for finances to carry on imperative school building projects, and to determine on what promotions were the most necessary to push.

The Board at its meeting, Tuesday, publicized its intent, and among the three first projects is a colored school for 25 to 30 pupils, of the ten class room capacity. The other projects will be a new high school to serve the Boynton-Delray consolidated schools and improvements at the industrial school.

A delegation of colored people from Belle Glade appeared before the board, asking and pleading for sanitary repairs and added class room space for the coming school year.

The Board announced its building program budget\* would amount to \$4,000,000, which is something for the taxpayers to think about, especially when, at home people, who helped defray the bond issue, as this will really mean additional tax payments.

The Board is expecting that the Governor will soon name Mr. Ruth Wedgworth, of Belle Glade, as a member of the board to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late George A. Taylor, early this month.

## Cushman's Dogs Take Honors At Two Shows

After winning Best of Breed and placing in Sporting Group at the Daytona dog show last week with their female Springer Spaniel, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Cushman of Pahokee went to the Ft. Lauderdale dog show Sunday with three dogs and captured 7 ribbons, a trophy cup. Top honors were taken in every class.

Their male Springer Spaniel placed Best of Breed and went on to gain Best of Sporting Group over stiff competition from Pointers, Setters, and Cocker. Their female Springer placed Best of Opposite Sex, and the buff and white Cocker placed Best of Variety of Breed.

This was a fine show with nearly 200 entries of dogs from all over the state as Pennsylvania competing.

## Returns From Naval Training Assignment

Attorney Jack O. Johnson, who has been in the service for the past three weeks, has returned from San Juan where as a Navy Lt. Comdr. (R), he was assigned to Naval Training. Mrs. Johnson and daughter, who he got back from his honeymoon in Puerto Rico, where his husband was on sea duty.

## Salvation Army To Entertain Singing Convention On Sunday

The June meeting of the Palm Beach Singing Convention Society, whose annual membership convention from Glades territory, will be held at the Salvation Army Citadel at South Dixie and taking place in West Palm Beach, on next Sunday, June 27th, when an unusually fine program will be presented, and a large crowd is expected to be present and participate.

This event will be open to the public, and those who enjoy good lively, wholesome music and singing, will enjoy a real treat if they attend.

## Hospital Board Gets Deed!

Mrs. Ruth Wedgworth received a wire Thursday afternoon from Senator Pepper announcing that the deed for the Hospital has been signed, thereby giving title to the Hospital Board, of which she is Chairman.

After considerable dickering, the price finally agreed on is \$100,000, and the action marks another milestone of progress for the community—having a HALF MILLION DOLLAR HOSPITAL PLANT GIVEN TO THE COMMUNITY.

## SOFTBALL FANS . . .

The advisory Committee of the softball league, to meet popular demand, has changed Monday night games on the schedule to Tuesday nights, beginning next week. Games played on Thursday and Friday nights will remain as scheduled.

## 217 Permits For Total Of \$618,410 For Repairs And New Building During Year

### Captain Lee Dry Is Assigned Army Duty At Louisville, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee O. Dry, who have resided here for the past year, on Friday, leave for their new assignment at Louisville, where the former will re-enter Army service with his former rank of Captain. As yet he is unimpaired as to the type of duty he will be assigned but it will likely be administrative.

Mr. Dry served a number of months very efficiently as a district superintendent of the Belle Glade Hospital, and his wife was employed as a clerk in the War Relocation Authority. Both have made legion of friends while here who will regret in seeing them taking up residence elsewhere.

### Water, Lights, Telephone Streets, Business And Homes Are Benefited

Despite a generally unsuccessful season following the disastrous fall floods, Belle Glade, and its surrounding community has gained in patrons to all public services—power, water and telephone—since June of '47, with the telephone connections increasing by over 400 phones, and close to 100 unfilled applications on file.

There were approximately 180 new water meters added to the Belle Glade system during the year while 79 new customers were added to the electric lines.

The streets of Belle Glade were treated to repairs, rebuilding, and repaving, while some had rock bases installed preparatory to graveling and oiling. Altogether approximately 100,000 square miles of city streets have been subjected to rocking and surfacing.

Of these the major operation was on Avenue E from beginning at the Hillsboro Canal to the western city limits. Also West Palm Beach road from the bridge to Chasco—south of the canal—was reroaked and surfaced.

Of the total building permits, 37 were for residential and includes more than 50 family units; 124 permits were for repairs to residential units. Twenty-five new commercial buildings were included in the list, while there were 36 applications to repair commercial buildings.

Two outstanding commercial improvements are the new telephone plant and the attendant placing of cables underground. It is reported that to date about 100 miles of cabling in Belle Glade's more than 1000 phones are underground, with the whole spread out in the future months.

The cables from Pahokee to Belle Glade, as well as the cable from the Glades to the east end of the canal, have been completed. When the new plant is in vogue in the Glades.

Another major, and the most recent, building operation is the new home for the Glades Chevrolet Company, local dealers.

This concrete and steel building is 100 feet square feet of space and a height of 20 feet. With a modern sales room, offices and the latest in parts sales and body department will accommodate 20 vehicles at one time. In addition there will be a spacious and fully equipped concrete and steel parking lot.

A department especially for heavy trucks to care for the trailer jobs so common in the Glades now. Entrances from both main buildings are provided with a 20 foot passageway from front to rear to facilitate movement of vehicles.

Fluorescent lighting will prevail throughout the new building.

The general contractor on the building is Dan Hill and Sons with the City Plumbing doing the plumbing. Shirley Brothers of Pahokee are furnishing the concrete and steel products.

## OBSERVATION And Comment

By John M. Gladhill

Cattle business in the Glades is on the uprise and indications that within a few years, much of the land not now used for vegetable growing, and which is, will be converted into rich pasture lands for cattle grazing. The old belief that cattle could not be successfully raised in the Glades has been shown to be a premature conclusion, for it has been proven that as fine cattle as can be raised here as anywhere else.

With the cattle herds expanding, a central sales market early appears desirable and necessary. By constant urging of the people, who like to fish, the Engineers have opened the guard gates west of Pahokee on the dike, so that the dike top is now accessible and useable for such trips.

It is pointed out that the lake (Continued on page 5)









## WANT ADS

### "OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS HERE"

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TELEPHONE 14

**AUTOS** upholstered, tops, glass installed. Furniture like new. Reasonable prices. Mattresses renovated. Ramey's Upholstering, Fourth St. Phone 577. 4-30-48

**FOR RENT**—Office rooms in the Scarborough block, single or double. Inquire George Scarborough at his Department store. 12-24-48

**GOOD** low cost non-profit houses and lots easily obtainable on credit by the unskilled man, no interest, death insurance, state subsidy. Investigate. See Hubbell, trustee. 6-4-48

**REPTILE TANKS** and grease traps cleaned and repaired. Bob Doryl, Phone 372 and 516. P. M., Pahokee, Fla. 11-14-47

**TRAILERS**—New and reconditioned. Parts for all makes. U. S. Highway No. 1, Arthur Trailer Sales, Riviera Beach, Phone 6274. 4-15-48

**FOR SALE**—New and used Willy Jeep. Walter and used Garage, Phone 128. 131-47

**WANTED**—2 or 3 milch cows, fresh not over 2 months. Telephone 88. 6-18-48

**THE MARRIAGE BUREAU** near the Belle Glade Bank, Ave. A, will save marriage candidates many miles, money and precious time. Estimated 6,000,000 surplus women in this country caused by the late war and the lack of another war. This is leap year girls, get busy. 5-14-47

**FOR SALE**—New and used pianos. Rashley's. 4-11-47

**CABINET BUILDING**—See Archie on West Lake Road, for all interior work. 4-2-47

**FOR SALE**—26 ft. United 1946 model house trailer in A-1 shape. See Kent Hirschman at Henry's Super Store or call 9154. 6-4-47

**FARM LAND** for rent close in. G. A. Hubbell. 6-4-47

**AWAKE** buy acre in town; pay at pleasure; pays itself. Free Cabin rent. See Hubbell. 6-4-47

**FOR SALE**—Low bed machine, tractor 30 to 40 tons, 8 tires across rear, air brakes, perfect condition, ideal for hauling draglines, bulldozers or any equipment. \$1,250 cash. Also, TD-9 with Climador, T-9 with Sving crane; TD-14 with Hughes-Keenan crane; Quick-way Truck crane and new Unit Truck crane. These are very late models, using very little. Write Box 114, Miami Springs, Fla. Phone 12-0234, Miami. 6-25-51

**FOR SALE**—Duplex house, 2 years old, asbestos shingles, completely furnished and electrically equipped, large lot facing the canal, both apartments rented. Good investment and bargain if sold at once. Located in South Bay. John Henderson, phone 519-W. 6-25-51

**ROOF LEAK?**—See Glades Appliance for ASBESTOLINE in liquid roofing compound guaranteed to keep your home dry as a bone for ten years. Glades Appliance Corporation, Phones 17 and 516. 6-25-51

**WANTED**—A nicely furnished apartment or house. Call 608 between 8 A. M. and 6 P. M. 6-25-51

**COCKER SPANIEL** puppies for sale. Blacks, flashy red and white, a couple nearly all white. Either sex. Priced below South Florida market. E. F. Cushman, Pahokee. 6-25-51

**FURNISHED** apartment for rent. A month's free rent if therein a birth, marriage, or funeral occurs. See G. A. Hubbell. 6-25-51

**LOST**—Gold ladies Gruen Currex wrist watch. Sentimental value. If found please notify Lois Betts, Dixiana Lunch, phone Glades 509 and Sheet Metal Works, Belle Glade. 6-25-51

**GLADES REGION LIONS** Continued from page 1

Glades Lions Gals 2. N. ... sale, has the honor of presenting the special awards—Perfect attendance during the past year: Belle Glade, R. S. Burroughs, Ivan Vanforn, Nelson Moran, Emmett S. Roberts, W. P. Risk, H. S. Sewell, F. E. M. Lively, D. B. Mathis, Eunice Harris, and H. V. Draa, the latter having a clear record for the past year.

Pahokee—J. N. Barwick, C. A. Chase, D. W. Cunningham, Leonard Dubrow, Jesse Elliott, A. Q. Howell, Ragert Mock, R. J. Schroeder, Paul Tillery, A. C. Santos, A. R. Harrington and J. R. McCloud, president of the Clouston club. The retiring presidents of the clubs were also presented with their insignia pins.

The surprise of the evening came when Governor elect Hicks, announced that he had selected Emmett Roberts, of the Belle Glade club, to be his deputy governor for the Glades area, which consists of the clubs at Lake Worth, Palm Beach, Pahokee, Belle Glade, Clewiston, and South Bay when the latter club comes into existence.

Each year the local club takes a service on which the members of the membership determine to be his leading lion promoter and civic worker. Three leaders in this cause were W. L. Cunningham, A. J. Lively and Emmett Roberts, and when the victory election was opened, working practice had been awarded this signal honor, one that he well earned and deserved by his outstanding work with the club the past year.

The program at the Armory completed, all guests were invited to the Country Club for a dance, music for which was provided free by Doc Vanlandingham's select orchestra.

**NIGHT SOFT BALL** (Continued from page 1)

for the league games which take place every Monday, Thursday and Friday nights. The games scheduled for tonight are Glades Chevrolet and Murphy's Drugs with Western Auto metest; Billy's Market Monday; Billy's Restaurant and Richmond Plumbing; Glades Chevrolet and Western Auto.

This will end the first quarter of the program and all teams will appear for their second quarter openers Thursday night. Glades Chevrolet will meet Richmond Plumbing; Billy's Restaurant will meet Western Auto and Ralph's Market.

**LEAGUE SCHEDULE** (As of June 21)

Team W L Pct. Richmond Pib. 2 1 .667 Billy's Rest. 2 1 .667 Chevrolet 2 2 .500 Ralph's Mkt. 2 2 .500 Western Auto 1 2 .333 Murphy's 1 2 .333

**CITY TAKES OVER** (Continued from page 1)

would take over the function, and directed that additional supplies be procured to complete the job and make minor changes where necessary. The business houses and homes will be numbered according to the adopted Hunslett system of numbering, already approved by the Commission. The city will charge a flat fee of 50c for each number set.

Bobby Matthews, a local high school graduate and now a student at Stetson University, was hired at \$15 a week, to do a systematic job of selling and getting the proper numbers in place.

An amended ordinance was read for the first time, which provided for a change in the fees to be charged for electrical installation inspections, which run from \$1.50 to \$5.00 for first inspections and permits, and additional charges for additional inspections. The fees were worked out by electricians and the city inspector. Roy Lane and Son were given a contract to build a power pump for use at the city rock pit at a cost of \$137.

Renewals of a \$4,000 insurance policy on city hall property was renewed with the Harris Insurance Company.

The Commission declined to waive the \$50 a month extra fee for allowing liquor dealers to have 24 hour service. The dealers were told to revert to the normal hours.

**FOR SALE**—Studio couch, new covers. Reasonable. Phone 130. 6-25-51

**FOR SALE**—2 milk cows. Good stock, will freshen soon. Phone 27-J. 6-25-51

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the old hours of closing if they were not satisfied with the pre-arranged agreement.

Water works Commissioner Richmond stated that the Government had reclaimed the jeep track which the department had been given on loan, and that there was a need for another like machine to replace it, which will likely be soon purchased.

The Commission granted the First Church of Scientists, the privilege of placing a fire resistive frame building of small dimension and moveable, on a vacant lot on West Avenue A, to be used as a public reading room, for a one year period.

As it was found to Government requirements for the National Guard Army building would cost around \$10,000, instead of \$1,500 as first estimated, the Commission was requested to make a second donation to make up the deficit. Favorable action on this request will be taken at the next Commission session.

Differences between the firm of Davis and Parrish and the City Inspector were brought before the Commission by Robert Davis, for clarification and understanding. This grew out of offensive orders arising from truck trucks stopping there for service, on which complaint had been reported to the sanitary and police department.

McDuff admitted that on occasion several trucks had been parked near their place against which complaint could be rightfully made, but such parking practice had been abrogated by his firm. That the firm was under contract to service certain fleet of trucks, and work on transient trucks, but latter were of short duration periods of not over a few hours.

Decision was favorable for the soldier boys to continue their station services as now being conducted.

**LOU BETZNER TO** (Continued from page 1)

moon in Rome, Ga., but he gave back as much as he received. Report was made on the excellent initiation and barbecue at Pahokee, last Thursday night, which was attended by a number of Belle Glade lodge members.

Florida now has 45 Elk lodges, with the recent addition of Melbourne, Eau Gallie and Homestead lodges, each of which start out with a charter membership list of around 150 members.

The Ft. Lauderdale Lodge, one of the largest and richest of Florida lodges, has announced that it will expend the sum of \$100,000, over the next few years, for the developing and equipping of the Hugh Taylor Birch Memorial Park, on an ocean frontage, one of the most beautiful spots in that section.

The Elks portion of the park will be devoted to youth camp activities. Palm Beach lodge has also secured a long time lease on property in the north portion of the city where it will develop into a youth recreation center.

**Job Openings At Local Employment Office**

Job openings at the Florida State Employment office have been received from the following:

**South Bay Growers End Good Season**

The South Bay Growers Inc. owned and operated by a number of local growers brought their spring season to a formal ending last week. Their final operation was the drying, grading, sorting and boxing of the gladioli bulbs of local growers for transfer to the refrigeration plant for a two months rest during the summer.

The plant remained in operation with a skeleton crew for several weeks after the close of the snap bean season to grade and pack the late spring egg plant crop for market.

J. K. Willis and maintenance crew are at work on the plant at present making repairs and remodeling the plant and equipment to be ready for the opening of the fall vegetable season in late September.

**Belle Glade Motors Inc.** E. Ave. E Phone 323

**DeLux Models As Low As \$129.95**  
**Standard Models As Low As \$85.95**

**Westinghouse Automatic Electric WATER HEATERS**

**We Build Special Machinery And Farm Equipment**

**We Have Complete Facilities For All Types Of Machine Shop Repair Work.**

**We Sell and Service**

**Weed Choppers — Irrigation Pumps**

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**Hydraulic Mole Drain Machines**

**Hydraulic Celery Ditching Machines**

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**Portable Crane & Hoisting Machines**

**Contract Work Solicited — All Work Fully Guaranteed**

**Farm Machinery & Supply Company**

Canal Point, Fla. Phone 531

**Mormons To Have**

**Worship Temple At South Bay**

Mrs. H. B. Walker reports that the all day conference of the Mormon Church at the Belle Glade Legion Hall, Sunday, took action to accept a site for a new chapel to be erected in the Summerlin Subdivision at South Bay and made plans for a start on the building program.

It was made clear that the local members will be required to raise the initial sum of \$4500 before the building program can be started. The balance of the \$15,000 planned expenditure on the chapel will be donated to the local building fund from the church at large.

An interesting program was given during the day and a covered dish luncheon served during the noon intermission. Chief speakers of the day were President James Martell of Vero Beach, Dr. Campbell of Fort Lauderdale, Elders J. Ketter, Arthur Ernstrom and Curtis S. Smith.

Elder Marvin Tew who has been serving as a missionary to the Glades has been transferred to Atlanta, Ga., as treasurer of the Southern States Mission.

**Citizens To Provide Funds For School Band Uniforms**

The Citizens Band committee was organized at Moore Haven to promote a music department and hand for the Glades County High School. The Board of Public Instruction employed Harry E. Green, Jr., of Hubberty, to take over the music department and develop the band, and his choice proved to be a fortunate one.

The Committee desired the band to be properly uniformed, and set around to raise a sum of money for which uniforms, the price of uniforms, and some instruments. The County Commissions kicked in with \$1500, and the School Board with \$500 and the committee raised the balance, so next fall the Moore Haven school band will step out in attractive new uniforms, to compare well with larger schools of the lake region.

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become scarce with the end of the vegetable harvest season, according to the A. M. Larrimore, manager of the local office. Although the decline in employment in this area is a seasonal condition, many applicants registered for work finding seasonal unemployment not to their liking or well being.

The FSES is conducting a door to door canvass of business establishments in Belle Glade to uncover any available job openings which may exist. It is hoped that any employer who has a job opportunity will call on the State Employment Service in order to compare the qualifications of his job opening with the qualifications of applicants, both veteran and non-veteran. The telephone number is 307.

**Summer Vacation At Dixiana**

The Dixiana Cafe is closing on Saturday night for a two months summer vacation. Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Buckles and family will spend a part of their vacation at their former home in Bonell, Fla.

Mr. Buckles is planning on making considerable renovation and rearrangement in the cafe prior to reopening.

Get your name on the subscription list of the HERALD. Each Friday it brings you the full news coverage of the local field. Don't forget that the HERALD operates a first class job printing plant. Get your job work in now during the summer months and you will be assured of your supplies for the fall season.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF REALIZATION**

Notice is hereby given that the estate of J. K. Willis, deceased, is being administered by the City of Belle Glade, Florida, under the will of said deceased.

The City of Belle Glade, Florida, is the executor of the will of said deceased, and is authorized to sell, lease, convey, or otherwise dispose of the real estate and personal property of said estate for the purpose of satisfying the claims of the creditors of said estate.

Witness my hand as City Clerk of the City of Belle Glade, Florida, on this 24th day of June, 1948.

A. L. Wallis  
City Clerk  
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**NOTICE TO GROWERS AND STOCKMEN**

The FARMERS PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION and THE NATIONAL FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION, will have representatives at Pahokee and Belle Glade for the purposes of interviewing farmers and taking applications for their financial requirements.

Pahokee: at M. P. Hollman Inc. Fertilizer House on Fridays, July 2nd, 8th, 16, 23rd, 30th and August 6th and 13th, between the hours of 10:00 A. M. and 3:00 P. M.

Belle Glade: at the office of Van Landingham Brothers on Thursdays, July 1st, 8th, 15th, July 22nd, July 29th and August 5th and 12th, between the hours of 10:00 A. M. and 3:00 P. M.

Interviews will be appreciated.

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area can raise a sufficient supply of cattle to supply the market with a steady year round production, to say nothing of what supplies would be trucked in from adjoining areas. With abundant of grasses for feeding purposes, feeder cattle can be brought in by the thousands, and money made on them. The cattlemen of the east coast are willing to aid in establishing a market at Belle Glade and will become patrons of same with their ranch cattle.

The Bell Telephone directory just recently issued, shows that the Belle Glade exchange subscribers number over 800, a considerable large amount over those in the Pahokee exchange. The completion of the cable line from West Palm Beach to South Bay, is going to provide new trunk lines for local and long distance service, and with the new central plant, the lake area, will be using the dial instead of the number call system. The commercial subscribers will appreciate this, as long delays will be removed, giving quicker and more satisfactory service in the busy season.

Just why a site many miles off a main highway is chosen for the annual "Farmer and Picking House Men's" season end picnic, is beyond the writer's understanding. The function was held last Thursday way over on the banks of Fish-

eating creek, and from the food standpoint nothing could be superior to what was served. You have read in the Bible about the man who prepared a wedding feast for his son, and the guests failed to arrive? Well, that describes that attendance at the "relaxation outing" of this year.

After partaking of those delicious barbecue sandwiches, little groups gathered here and there, and soon they were talking a language which I am sure was not taken from the Bible, and being beyond comprehension. I drifted off for my favorite past time of fishing. All present seemed to enjoy the day's program immensely.

When you see a group of school boys attending a catfishmen's meeting, you can tell which way their mind is pointing for future days after their school years. Many of them already own a number of head of catfish.

Some mighty fine stands of field corn are to be seen between South Bay and Moore Haven, almost ready for the harvest. Tall stalks higher than a man's head, with heavy drooping ears full with grain kernels. The yield should be a heavy one.

Well, there is one Republican in Palm Beach county, who has the respect and thanks of the Glades "go-getters", for what he was able to assist in getting our food control bill through Congress. That man is New- man Miller, of West Palm Beach. Miller is an influential man in the ranks of Republicans, dropped in with the Demo-

cratic faith brethren, to work for the deal, and he is due credit for bearing pressure of his party men in Washington, to give Florida what it needs and deserved. Miller will be the boy to see when Republicans replace Democrats, if the national Government is in Republican hands after next January.

Clewiston is becoming quite a city, with its fine line of modern store buildings going up along the central avenue drive, and the new Masonic building is quite an addition to the city, and will be occupied by the new Sugarland Masonic lodge after it institution on July 1st.

Washington government officials here on the migratory camp business, at the city hall meeting, Friday night, learned that Glades farmers and businessmen knew how to talk "turkey", when it came to their interests and the welfare of the Glades.

This prolonged fracas over, to have or not to have commercial fishing in Lake Okeechobee, is not only depriving fishing folks from making a living, but it is playing hob with regular business outside the fishing issue, in Moore Haven, and merchantile people are hoping that definite decision on the issue will soon be forthcoming.

Russell O. Morrow, in his flag day address, brought out the fact that the Florida star to the flag field, was the 27th added to that galaxy, which took place after the war between the States. Clyde Trammell in his flag ceremony also gave out of valuable information that help us revere and honor the flag. Elks Flag Day is a mandatory order on every lodge and member.

Did you do your duty by Father, last Sunday? If you did, both you and the honoree, must have enjoyed and been pleased over the act.

Sewell, manager at the Royal store, after the first game of soft ball, announces his retirement at physician's orders, for he sustained a badly wrenched right knee, by making too sudden a turn while at bat. He's got more than a charley horse.

Summer vacation periods are being observed by the Order of Eastern Star and Belle Rebe-kah lodge, as they are omitting meetings until August.

The recent golf tournament at the Country Club of the Everglades, proved that the region, had some very clever and versatile players, who can hold their own with anyone. Herald

office produced three-of the prize winners.

Belle Glade continues to grow, and still no definite action has been formulated that will bring the city a first class modern commercial hotel, which is so badly needed.

Have you discovered what one of the places which is observing the Wednesday afternoon closing program is the city post-office? But the office is open on Saturday afternoons.

The youth of Belle Glade should be a bit wiser in matters of Elbe instruction, after they complete the work of the two they complete the work of the vacation school sessions being conducted at the Community Baptist churches.

"Make Safety Our No. 1 Crop" 4-H Slogan For 1948

"Make Safety Our No. 1 Crop." That's the 1948 slogan of 4-H Club boys and girls throughout the nation to help reduce the annual toll of 18,000 deaths and 134 million injured on farms, due to accidents.

Many members are taking active part in the National 4-H Farm Safety awards program, which is being continued in Florida under the direction of the Extension Service for the third consecutive year.

Among the members' activities to safeguard their families against accidents are removing or correcting hazards on their farmsteads. Their safety measures include nailing down loose boards in homes and barns; covering open wells and water tanks; properly storing tools; exercising care in operating machinery on farms and automobiles on highways, to mention only a few.

As incentives for superior records in farm safety work, awards are again offered this year by General Motors. They comprise sterling silver medals to five winners in each county, and a merit plaque to the state champion county. Each state's champion will receive a trip to the Chicago 4-H Club Congress next November. Eight state winners selected to receive a \$200 college scholarship.

Last year's state winner in Florida was Carolyn B. Dougherty, Melbourne. There were 23 county medal winners in 1947. Brevard County was named to receive the 1947 merit plaque.

Hunnitt's To Make Clewiston Appraisals

The city administration at Clewiston is going to have all property in the city re-apprais-

ed, and has employed the Hunnitt Associates, of St. Petersburg to do the work. This is the same concern which did a like appraisal for the City of Belle Glade. Its findings and assessment will make a basis of tax values of property, so that the City Assessor can make more equitable assessments.

Florida Cattle Market Mass Big Business In Last Week's Sales

Owing to the fact that there is a great possibility that a public auction cattle sale station will be located in the Belle Glade area before fall, figures released, this week, by the State Marketing Bureau may be of interest to Herald readers, showing what can be done with and can readily be matched in time in a cattle at our market.

A new market established at Wauchula, held its first sale last Thursday, which is to be sale day there during the year, handled some 435 head of cattle and 25 hogs, sold at a price of \$28.000.

At Arcadia, an established and leading market, 1258 head, sales income, \$82,225; Kissimmee, 738 head, income, \$56,000; Sampson market, at Miami, income \$13,450. Five state independent markets and ten independent markets, handled 5,408 head of cattle; 2194 hogs with producer returns of \$330,072.560.

Charles Bolton Pleased With Reception Given New Ford Car Exhibit

Charles Bolton, of the Belle Glade Motor Company, was a very happy man, on last Friday, as he received the people who came to the sales room to see the display of the two types of new Ford passenger cars.

Groups filled the show room most of the day, and they made a pretty thorough inspection of the new Ford offerings as well as asking for information.

Mr. Bolton said, "I was delighted with the words of appreciation spoken by our visitors in regard to our new cars, and more so, that a number at once placed orders for cars. I have never offered a car product to the public with as much assurance as I do the new Ford car, for in them our agency has a real modern car which properly deserves the title 'The Car of the Year.'"

Lake Worth Drainage District Frees Debt

The Lake Worth Drainage District, which is one of the connections of the over-all drainage project, has announced that

through bond refinancing and careful operations since that time, that it is now out of debt, and has a surplus of \$150,000 earmarked, in addition to its annual land tax income.

In 1938 the district's debt was \$2,800,000 on bonds and a million on interest. The last bonds and interest of \$51,000 have been paid, and at the annual land owner's meeting at the Boynton Beach market, on July 14, these bonds will be burned.

The territory covered by the district is making a fast agricultural development with vegetables and cattle, and lands are showing a rise in valuation, as well as being dotted with many fine new homes and farm buildings, and farming equipment.

Read the Want Ads.

## LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE: Public Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intend to register with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Palm Beach County, Florida, at West Palm Beach, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 1541, the fictitious name to-wit: Bird & Bird, under which we are engaged in the business of general building and construction contractors as a partnership with the principal office and business address West Palm Beach, Florida.

CLYDE TRAMMELL, Attorney at Law, 1015 Commercial Building, West Palm Beach, Florida. Attorney for Bird & Bird. Publish June 4, 11, 18 & 25, 1943.

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**SOUTH BAY BEAN CITY LAKE HARBOR**

Mrs. Frank B. Willis was summoned Sunday to the bedside of her father, R. B. Hoover at St. Augustine, who was critically ill and not expected to recover.

Clifton and Royce Scarborough left Thursday for a week's visit with their brother Raymond Moore and his wife at their home in Vero Beach.

Mrs. Mallie Fay Walker, daughter, Donna Faye, and some Roger and Junior left last week on a vacation visit among relatives at Panama City.

Thomas E. Weathers, superintendent of the South Bay Sugar Plantation, Mrs. Weathers, daughter, Judy and son, Tommy are visiting his mother, Mrs. T. E. Weathers, Sr., at Buena Vista, Ga., for a fortnight and will also visit at Albany, Ga., before returning home.

Mrs. and Mrs. Jack King of Miami visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. McAllister at Bean City recently and took her son, Gerald Marlowe home with her for a visit.

The Misses Jeanette and Ruth Davis arrived home last week from Los Angeles, California where they spent the winter. They spent several days sight-seeing in Salt Lake City and New York City enroute home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Keesee and little daughter have returned from a visit with relatives at Okeechobee City.

Mrs. Frank Kelsos left last week with her children to join her husband in Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Paul Rohm, Charles Rohm of Miami.

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 AT ALL DRUG STORES

Robert and Billy Martin of Little River were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Wright at Marlin.

Mrs. Melvin Herring, Mrs. C. Higgins both of Miami, Miss Jean Browning and Mrs. J. C. Sumner made a trip to West Palm Beach Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Ellidge spent Sunday visiting at Lakewood and were accompanied home by Bernice Williams who will remain in South Bay. Mr. Ellidge attended the School of Music and Vacation Bible School.

Janice Summerlin visited her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Herring, at Hooker's Point for several days last week. Mickey Herring also spent the week with his grandparents.

Mrs. Vivian Smith and granddaughter, Donna Holt, have returned from Lake Harbor where they spent the week end with Mrs. C. M. Lee and family.

Mrs. W. A. Nelson and grandson, Sidney Bullington of Sarasota visited her sister, Mrs. J. T. Hightower Sr., and family last week.

Mrs. John Mostley has purchased a home in Wauchoola and came to the Glades last week to get the rest of her household effects and visit her sister, Mrs. C. E. Griffith.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Croushore have returned to Harrisburg, Pa., after visiting his mother, Mrs. R. S. Donaldson, and other relatives here for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Vadaz and daughters are on a two weeks vacation visit with relatives at Peach Orchard, Arkansas.

Herbert L. Marlowe has returned from a two days visit in Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Eckman, Mrs. F. C. Wolf and Mrs. E. W. Sisley are visiting the Fishery at South Shore Plantation last week given in honor of the Miami Locks Plantation.

The Home Demonstration Club will meet Thursday, July 1 at the Recreation Hall at 3 P.M. The topics for the day are: Recreation and Crafts. Members are requested to answer to roll call with their favorite joke. Plans will be discussed for attending camp July 11-13.

Mrs. Lee Eckman, Mrs. Margaret Hess and Mrs. E. W. Sisley, the latter called here by the illness of her sister, Mrs. R. S. Donaldson, are leaving shortly on a visit to Pensacola. Mrs. Sisley will remain for the present at her home at Perryopolis, the others will return after a short visit.

Mrs. R. R. Roodman, daughter, Lucretia, Anna, Bob and Milton Cumpton are leaving Thursday to attend a Presbyterian Youth Conference at Mt. Dora.

Ellis Blanchard has returned from Tampa where he visited his mother, Mrs. Sarah Blanchard over the week end.

**South Bay News Briefs**

The South Florida Conservancy District has cleaned all the hyacinths out of the North New River Canal to permit a free flow of water from the lake to the ocean.

Sugar grown, processed and refined at the Okeechobee Sugar Co-Op Mill is now on the market in South Bay and glades housewives are for the first time using sugar refined as well grown in the glades.

The new home of B. R. Woodman in the Roodman-Hardy subdivision is now nearing completion.

Clarence M. Lee took Betty and Roy Lee to Mount Verde to attend six weeks summer session of the Mount Verde School. He visited Hubie Chestnut at Claremont, Mrs. Mary Lee Wilder and daughter, Jeanette at Haines City.

The South Bay townsite was dusted recently by airplane in the town mosquito control program planned by the Town Council and Chamber of Commerce for the summer rainy season.

The Florida East Coast Railway maintenance crews have been cleaning the weeds from the right of way and from under the trestle to reduce the fire hazard through the townsite.

Mrs. F. C. Wolf has returned to Dayton, Ohio. Chester M. Lawson to Tacoma, Washington and George Matheson to Boise, Ida. They were called here by the serious illness of their mother, Mrs. S. S. Donaldson.

**Veteran Service Officer Tells Of Office Work**

James Clafford gave the Ladies Club this information concerning the work of his office:

I have compared some figures which will show the activities in my office since October 1 to April 30th. I held 210 personal interviews, filed 213 Bureau letters, 1787 forms, and wrote 1694 letters, and obtained, in cash for veterans in the Glades, total compensations of \$78,302.22, handled 23 emergency hospital cases, for veterans who were very ill; I have so far not failed to get patients into the VA hospitals.

There is one way our Belle Glade office could be improved, especially in the eyes of the rest of the county. Belle Glade is the only office which has no pay office rental, all the others being housed free in county or municipal buildings. I know that because of this we are at a premium here, and would like to get some place suitable rent free.

As a service officer, I have been asked to talk on the operations of my office . . . the Glades Veteran's Service Office in this connection, I would like to make it clear that my office is not operated by the federal government . . . it is operated by you, as taxpayers of Palm Beach County. It is, in fact, a county function, with the money coming from the general fund of Palm Beach County.

The county service office is a new-born baby in Florida. Up until the closing days of World War II, veteran's claims were handled by the Veterans organizations, on a make-shift, haphazard, volunteer basis. Many legitimate claims were disallowed because of delay but there did not appear . . . at first . . . to be a need for paid service officers.

During the second World War, in 1944, Congress passed the GI Bill of Rights. This law had so many different phases that it became apparent at once to experienced observers that the handling of claims for World War II veterans would require highly trained, full-time service officers. Since the veterans organizations could not handle this new demand, the problem became one for local government . . . in other words, the counties.

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My time is divided between the north and south ends of the Glades. My office in Belle Glade is located in the Sanders Building, and is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. On the other three days, I am located in the City Hall in Pahokee. Both office have telephone, and I have a phone at my home . . . paid for by me, of course.

At one time, the Glades had three service offices. There was an office in Pahokee, one in Belle Glade, and a negro office. About one year ago, the two white offices were combined. Last September my office also took over the negro load. Thus we are no operating one office where there were 3 open a year ago. I am happy to state that everyone seems to be satisfied. Now, in case you are thinking what I think you're thinking I want you to know that the Glades office has far more allocated to it than any other office.

Concerning the scope of service, I would like to compare my office with a Veterans Administration contact office, such as the one in West Palm Beach. We can do everything they can do except one: We cannot certify applications for education . . . they must be certified by an employee of the VA. To offset this one lack, we have a VA representative come out here once a week, and he approves these applications for me.

Just to give you an idea of the types of things we can handle, I will list some of the more important ones: Pension and death claims; claims for widows and parent claims for pension; veterans hospitalization; outpatient treatment for both medical and dental cases; on-the-job training; education; and all phases of government life insurance. There are others, but the ones I have just named are most common.

**Baptist Vacation Bible School**

The annual Vacation Bible School is announced to start on Monday, June 28, at the South Bay Baptist Church and will continue in session for two weeks ending July 9. The School of Music which opened on June 21 for a two weeks session will thus overlap the Bible School by one week.

Mrs. Flora B. Willis, representative from the department of music of the Florida State Baptist Convention, is in charge of the School of music with classes for juniors and intermedates daily from 8:30 a. m. to 12:00 o'clock. Classes for adults are in the evening beginning at 8:00 p. m. A nursery department is operated in order that mothers with young children may attend all classes. Twenty two children were enrolled the first day and others are expected during the week.

Rev. Oswald will act as principal of the Vacation Bible School which will present classes in Bible Study, Arts and Crafts for pupils of all ages from Cradle Roll members to the Young People.

Members of the faculty will include Mrs. M. J. Hardy, Mrs. W. M. Jeffries, Mrs. Bill Black, Mrs. R. B. Woodham, Mrs. Marvin Miller, Mrs. Linton Miller, Mrs. Bea Barrett, Mrs. A. B. Barnes, Mrs. A. J. Williams, Mrs. L. L. Simmons, Mrs. J. C. Summerlin and Mrs. W. C. Allen.

All parents are urged to encourage their children to attend this Vacation Bible School and to work for a perfect attendance record as the benefits will be well worth the time and effort.

The H. B-tree Apartments are being entirely reconditioned and repainted.

**Indiantown Picking Center To Expand**

Martin County is going to press St. Lucie as the tomato raising county, the east coast in the near future, as a result of the buying up of some 60,000 acres of sand tomato land over in the Indiantown section. This fall, for which plans are being arranged, will see several hundred acres of new land planted to tomatoes, and several thousand acres are being prepared for the 1949 spring crop.

Ray A. Seegre, formerly an operator at Pahokee, has moved his business to Indiantown, where the past season, he experienced a very successful season. He produced a very successful season of 600 packages of mixed vegetables for an aggregate of 70 cars. This included egg plants, peppers, c u m b e r s, string beans, tomatoes, squash and black eyed peas, mostly grown along the St. Lucie canal section.

Seegre plans to increase the size and equipment in his present packing house and will add another 150x60 structure, to be used exclusively for a tomato house.

**Church Classes Have Social Gathering**

The Intermediate and Young People's Training Union of the Baptist Church enjoyed a beach party at Lake Worth Saturday. Those in the party were Mrs.

M. J. Hardy, Ray Hardy, Mrs. Marian Hardy, Verna Doris and Hollie Martin, Martha and June Harley, Mary Lois Hodges, Mrs. Elsie Ruth Blackwell, Dorine Mathewson, Billy Strickland, Alton Goodbread, Johnny Lamoureux, Raiford Smith, Betty Miller, Joyce, Carol Elledge, Helen Prevatt and Clifford Allen.

The Adult Training Union enjoyed a chicken supper at the South Bay Baptist Church Friday evening. Those attending were Rev. and Mrs. B. A. Oswald, A. B. Barnes, Mrs. Maude Hartline, Mrs. Josephine Ratley, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Williams, Mrs. A. O. Ward, Mrs. F. W. Mutchler, Mrs. Leland Hardy, Mrs. E. E. Hardy, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Hardy and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Best.

**Lakeport Highway To Be Resurfaced Again**

The highway leading out of Moore Haven to Lakeport, which was so badly damaged by flood last fall, covering a three mile stretch, will be retopped this summer, as J. W. Conners and Sons, of Tampa, have been given a contract for the work, at a cost of around \$30,000. Belle Glade people who frequently traverse this stretch, found it rough passage, and mighty hard on tires and cars alike.

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